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SUBJECT: FOREIGN COMMERCIAL OFFICES OUTSIDE HOST COUNTRY'S  
CAPITAL

REF: STATE 10867

1. MATTER WAS RAISED WITH RESPONSIBLE PROTOCOL OFFICER OF ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. CURRENT ITALIAN POLICY WITH RESPECT TO COMMERCIAL OFFICES ESTABLISHED OUTSIDE ROME IS THAT AFTER A REQUEST VIA DIPLOMATIC NOTE, INVIOABILITY IS ACCORDED TO OFFICIAL PAPERS AND FILES BUT NO REPEAT NO INVIOABILITY IS ACCORDED TO PREMISES AND NO REPEAT NO DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY IS GIVEN TO PERSONNEL. HOWEVER, OFFICES SO ESTABLISHED WOULD ENJOY EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PRIVATE COMMERCIAL OFFICES. THIS POLICY APPLIES UNIFORMLY TO EE AND NON-EE COUNTRIES.

2. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT ANY OFFICERS WHO ARE GRANTED EX-EQUATUR AS CONSULAR OFFICERS AND ASSIGNED TO THE CONSULATE IN THE CITY IN WHICH THE COMMERCIAL OFFICE OPERATES, CONTINUE TO ENJOY PERSONAL IMMUNITY. THIS IMMUNITY CONTINUES EVEN IF OFFICER IS SUBSEQUENTLY ASSIGNED TO A COMMERCIAL OFFICE PHYSICALLY SEPARATE FROM CONSULAR OFFICE ITSELF.

3. LICENSITORG DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE OPERATING IN ITALY.

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HOWEVER, NOTHING UNDER ITALIAN LEGISLATION WOULD PREVENT THIS OR ANY SIMILAR ORGANIZATION FROM FORMING A JOINT COMPANY WITH

AN ITALIAN FIRM IN ITALY TO ENGAGE IN BONA FIDE TRANSACTIONS  
INVOLVING PATENTS, LICENSES AND TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS. VOLPE

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